

HOUSE BILL 1117

By Casada

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 8, relative to duties of the peace officer standards and training commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 8, Part 1, is amended by adding the following new section thereto:

§ 38-8-123.

(a) In addition to the duties set out in § 38-8-104, the commission shall by rule establish the manner in which the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004, compiled in 18 U.S.C. §§ 926B and 926C, relating to the carrying of concealed firearms by qualified law enforcement officers and qualified retired law enforcement officers shall be implemented in this state. The commission shall develop and authorize a uniform firearms proficiency verification card to be issued to persons who achieve a passing score on the firing range testing component as utilized in the minimum firearms proficiency course applicable to active law enforcement officers and who meet the requirements of “qualified law enforcement officers” or “qualified retired law enforcement officer” as set out in 18 U.S.C. §§ 926B and 926C. The verification card shall indicate the person's name and the date upon which the person achieved the passing score.

(b) Each verification card referred to in subsection (a) shall be issued only by firearms instructors certified by the commission. The commission shall certify firearms instructors according to qualifications established by the

commission for the purposes of implementing the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004.

(c) Any costs associated with the demonstration by any person that such person meets the requirements of the firing range testing component as utilized in the minimum firearms proficiency course shall be at the expense of such person.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.